

The American Legion Post 227

Combined Membership / Executive

Committee Meeting Tuesday Feb. 19, 2019

Membership Meeting

- 1 Meeting convened at 7:00PM. Members present were: Post Commander Larry Fischer, 1st Vice Cmdr. Doug Sanders, 2nd Vice Cmdr. John Brady, Adjutant/ Finance Officer Earl Thompson, Asst. Adjutant/ Post Historian Jerry Pickard, Chaplain Richard Bologna, Judge Advocate Dwight Stevens, Sgt. At Arms Randall Kehrer, Trustee Robert Grasmick, Trustee R. B. White, Publicity Chair Carroll Goering.
- 2 Denise Frisino briefly outlined what her presentation will be about at the March Membership meeting. (Japanese Spy's on the west coast prior to WWII).
- 3 Commander Fischer gave announcements of upcoming events: Mariners Vet's Night, Post 127 American Legion Birthday dinner 2/22/19, Pancake Breakfast postponed until 16 March 2019, Hero's Café Tuesday 26 February 2019.
- 4 2nd Vice Commander John Brady presented the "Four Chaplains Ceremony" and explained who the four Chaplains were and told their story.
- 5 Chaplain Richard Bologna explained what the duties of the Chaplains are. He also explained how Teddy Roosevelt Jr. and other veterans founded the American Legion in 1919 at the end of WWI.
- 6 This concluded the Membership Meeting agenda and guests were dismissed at 7:35 PM.

Executive Committee Meeting was called to order at 8:00 PM.

- 1 Minutes of Wednesday January 16, 2019 meeting were presented and after review motion to accept was made and passed to accept minutes. (See annex 1 #1) As the February 5, 2019 meeting was canceled due to bad weather there were no minutes for that date.
- 2 Adjutants Report: (See Annex 2).
- 3 Finance Officers Report: (See Annex 3)
- 4 Life Changer Award Authorization for 2019: (See Annex 1 for motion and pass.
- 5 Post Rental Committee Report: Richard Bologna leads discussion of current rental status, old fees and new fees, upcoming rentals, Motion (See Annex 1#6) to change by-laws to reflect as to who is considered an active member for reduced rental fees.
- 6 Emergency Preparedness: Doug Sanders reports that The City of Shoreline has agreed to pay fees for CPR training and presented a sign-up sheet for those who will be attending. Gig Harbor is presenting an Emergency Preparedness Fair. Date to be determined.
- 7 Evergreen Boys State Captain? Participation TBD. Training in March date TBD.
- 8 Membership Report: Cmdr. Fischer leads discussion on how to raise membership level and our current standing,
- 9 Upcoming year of meetings, events and presentations: (See Annex 4).
- 10 Post Doors Report: Tabled.

- 11 SING Program: Currently no funds available. Motion to authorize \$76.00 for 2 vets passed. (See Annex 1 #12)
- 12 Pancake Breakfast Report: Canceled due to snow. Rescheduled for Saturday March 16, 2019.
- 13 Summer BBQ Event: Cmdr. Fischer contacted State American Legion Band to perform at the BBQ. Plan to have door prizes, need donations for door prizes ASAP.
- 14 District 11 meeting Sunday, February 17, 2019. With bad weather attendance was very light, barely had quorum to conduct meeting.
- 15 National Executive Committee (NEC) of American Legion: Carrol Goering and Larry Fischer read letter from NEC to be sent to congress defining qualifying dates of service for potential new members and closing gaps for qualification. Cmdr. Fischer and Carroll Goering will be sending a letter of support to NEC.
- 16 Old Business – Post yard clean-up: Short discussion of problems.
- 17 New Business: Dwight Stevens says he got a check for 2 bricks in the Veterans Memorial Plaza from Sonny Alvarez. This was to buy bricks for two ladies who worked many years in the USO, which is not a Veterans organization. Sonny gave the check to Ray Coffey who passed it on to Earl Thompson. Dwight says the post voted to disallow this as the ladies are not veterans, several years ago. Motion was taken and failed to allow USO members to be in Veterans Plaza (See Annex 1 #12).
- 18 Next Executive Committee Meeting will be 20 March 2019 at 6:30 PM.
- 19 Adjourned at 9:20 PM.

ANNEX 1

Date: 3/19/2019

#12
☐ Report
☒ Motion
Title: MOTION TO ACCEPT JAN 16, 2019
1st Person/Mover: CARROLL GARRING
2nd Person/Second: RANDALL KERRER

Remarks/Discussion:

Disposition: ☒ Approved ☐ Rejected ☐ Referred to: _____

#5
☐ Report
☒ Motion
Title: LIFE CHNGR AWARD
1st Person/Mover: CARROLL GARRING
2nd Person/Second: RICHARD BALCONA

Remarks/Discussion:
CMAA FISHER NOM. WIFE'S GARY WILDMAN
+ BUDGET ALLOWANCE OF \$200.00 FOR
BURIAL

Disposition: ☒ Approved ☐ Rejected ☐ Referred to: _____

#16
☐ Report
☒ Motion
Title: MOTION TO CHANGE BY LAWS TO REPORT
1st Person/Mover: R. B. WHITE
2nd Person/Second: R. B. GUNN

Remarks/Discussion:
~~FOR THE REPORTING ACTING MEMBERS~~
FOR THE REPORTING

Disposition: ☒ Approved ☐ Rejected ☐ Referred to: _____

Date: _____

#12
☐ Report
☒ Motion
Title: MOTION TO AUTHORIZE PWT.
1st Person/Mover: CARROLL GARRING
2nd Person/Second: DONALD STREIBER

Remarks/Discussion:
FOR 2 MEMBERS (\$76.00) TO SING PROGRAM

Disposition: ☒ Approved ☐ Rejected ☐ Referred to: _____

#18
☐ Report
☒ Motion
Title: STRAULITE TO ALLOW MEMBERS
1st Person/Mover: CARROLL GARRING
2nd Person/Second: _____

Remarks/Discussion:
OF USA TO HAVE 2 BROTHERS IN VETERAN'S
PLAZA

Disposition: ☐ Approved ☒ Rejected ☐ Referred to: _____

☐ Report
☐ Motion
Title: _____
1st Person/Mover: _____
2nd Person/Second: _____

Remarks/Discussion:

Disposition: ☐ Approved ☐ Rejected ☐ Referred to: _____

Finance and Adjutant Report

February 19, 2019

ANNEX 3

Finance Report

1. Post Checking \$1,085.54, Post Savings \$511.59, Post Money Manager \$13,612.77, SVA Checking \$3,452.06, Church Fund CD \$20,319.04, Sing \$00.00, and Needy Veterans Fund \$600.00
2. I contacted the Shoreline Fire Department today, 1.8.2019 and they will be sending me a form today for renewing the permit. Their software is still causing problems, but they will create a form and sent it out today so that we can renew this permit.
3. Paid Utility bills in the amount of 372.76 and Paid reimbursement checks to Jerry Pickard for reimbursement for Ink in the amount of \$95.32
4. Purchased a roll of Forever stamps in the amount of \$50.00 before the price increased to \$55.00.
5. Have undeposited funds for future post rental in the amount of \$160.00
6. Renewed the Property Tax Exemption for the year 2020.

Adjutant Report

ANNEX 2

1. No update on By-laws and Constitution update.
2. Processed 5 regular renewals and 3 online renewals and no new members
3. We now have 141 post members. We currently have 21 members who have not renewed for 2019. This exceeds our 135 members goal. Our current renewal percentage as of Feb 15th is 88.15%, we rank second in the district. First in the district is post 161 Redmond.
4. Have returned the requested paper work to King County regard the grant from the Veterans, Seniors and Human Services Levy in the Amount of \$5000.00.

Shoreline Veterans Association

1. Called again about status of this claim and it turns out that I sent the information to the wrong email address. The information was resubmitted today, to the Unclaimed Property Claim division with the State of Washington in the amount of \$391.75. for MISC Intangible Pers Prop for the Shoreline Veterans Association.

Financial Accounts Recon 16-Jan-19

	Post Checking	Post Savings	Money Manager	Post Checking (SVA)	Church Fund	SING	Needy Veterans Fund
Beginning Balance	1,463.82	511.55	13,606.40	3,452.06	20,319.04	0.00	600.00
Income							

Membership Renewals	328.00	0.04	6.37				
interest Jan 31 2019							

subtotal income	328.00	0.04	6.37	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
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Expenses

Membership state and National	190.00						
North City Water District	68.82						
Puget Sound Energy	89.62						
Ronald Wastewater district	119.00						
Jerry Pickard Ink Reimbursement	93.52						
Stamps before Price Increase	50.00						
Seattle City Light	95.32						
Subtotal Expenses	706.28	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

balance	1,085.54	511.59	13,612.77	3,452.06	20,319.04	0.00	600.00
Needy Veterans Fund Balance	600.00						
BECU Balance	2,083.00	511.59	13,612.77	3,452.06			
Outstanding Balance	-397.46	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Ronald Wastewater	119.00						
Jerry Pickard	93.52						
Puget Sound Energy	89.62						
Seattle City Light	95.32						
Total Outstanding	397.46						

Expected Expense Membership	1,270.00
Property Insurance	
King county Property Taxes	397.18
Due April 30	397.18
Due October 31	199.00
Website Renewal April 11, 2019	30.00
City of Shoreline Business License	

ANNEX 4

POST 227 MEETINGS PRESENTERS – 2019

January 8 – Gary Roach, Dept. of Washington Commander. Visit and presentation

February 5 – John Brady and Richard Bologna. Four chaplain ceremony/Chaplain's role in the post.

March 5 – Denise Frisino. WWII Japanese espionage on West Coast, Canada to Mexico.

April 2 – Joe Wankelman. Apache helicopter pilot – Iraq and Afghanistan combat tour.

May 7 – Vivian Olson. Airforce Academy veteran – Women in Academy/AF Service.

June 4 – American Legion Family with Post Officer Installation. Post 227 Rep., Post Auxiliary Rep., Sons of A.L. and Riders of A.L. Representatives.

July 13 – Post summer BBQ with American Legion quintet or quartet to perform.

*August – Presentation only, no meeting. Colleen Berry, USO Volunteer for 25 years. (to present with her daughter)

*September 3 – Antony (Tony) Ascanio, USAF SAC cold war presentation.

*October 1. Joint Services Command, Colonel Tim Miller.

*November 5. Rob Caldwell, SVC Officer for Post 234, Vietnam Army for 2 tours and Past Commander Richard White conduct Vietnam Vet Recognition pins.

*December 3 – Violet Velasquez, Navy Reserve Cadet and Christa Mattson, Civil Air Patrol Cadet.

*These programs have not been solidified with presenters. All said they would do a presentation.